Appl. No. 09/230,195 Amdt. dated April 16, 2004 Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 Expedited Procedure Examining Group 1633

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for his phone call of April 7, 2004, indicating amendments that would place the claims in condition for allowance.

The Advisory action mailed March 3, 2004 indicates that Applicants' amendment mailed January 26, 2004 was entered. Accordingly, the current amendment is based on the claims as amended in the January 26, 2004 paper. Claims 1, 2, 4-17, 19-35, 37, 38, and 40-42 are under examination. Claims 5, 22, and 25 have been amended herein to address the issues raised by the Examiner. Applicants specifically reserve the right to pursue all the subject matter of the unamended claims in one or more subsequent applications.

This amendment also includes a paper copy and computer readable form of the sequence listing, as requested by the Examiner in the April 7, 2004 phone call. The information contained in the computer readable disk was prepared through the use of the software program "PatentIn" and is identical to that of the paper copy.

This amendment adds no new matter.

Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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